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Mr. Nils H. Wessell
Director, Office of Research
United States Information Agency

Dear Mr. Wessell:

In the light of GLASNOST and other political and societal changes in the Soviet Union, FBIS has commissioned an evaluation of its coverage of Soviet media, with particular focus on its exploitation of the print media. To assist us, we have concluded that outside, individual reviews of our coverage and exploitation would provide objective insights and thus prove extremely valuable to our evaluation.

One individual that has been recommended to us for this review is Mr. Steven Grant of your organization. We have contacted Mr. Grant and are pleased that he has agreed to help us in this review and to offer recommendations which will benefit our reporting on the Soviet Union. I personally want to thank you for making Mr. Grant available for this purpose.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

R. W. Manners
Director

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